

Notice Regarding Enhanced Appendices:

Support Annex-3 (SA-3) of the Commonwealth of Virginia Emergency Operations Plan (COVEOP), the Virginia Standard and Enhanced Hazard Mitigation Plan, was submitted to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for approval in November 2006. The plan was submitted as the Commonwealth of Virginia Emergency Operations Plan, Volume 6, Standard and Enhanced Hazard Mitigation Plan. This plan reflects revisions to the already approved (in September 28, 2004) Standard Hazard Mitigation plan. It also included an expanded Enhanced Chapter 7 together with the Enhanced plan appendices.

A majority of the extensive Enhanced Plan appendices documentation have not been included as online attachments to Support Annex-3. In order for a state to obtain Enhanced Plan status, it must meet all of the requirements of the Standard Hazard Mitigation Plan. The state must additionally demonstrate that it already has a comprehensive mitigation program and that it is capable of managing the increased funding (up to 20% of the total of eligible disaster costs) available to states with Enhanced status. Enhanced Plan approval is obtained following state adoption of the plan and approval by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Components of a FEMA approved Enhanced Plan include:

- _ Integration with Other Planning Initiatives
- _ Project Implementation Capability
- _ Program Management Capability
- _ Assessment of Mitigation Actions
- _ Effective Use of Available Mitigation Funding
- _ Commitment to a Comprehensive Mitigation Program

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